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Monday
September 1, 1952

Labor Day.

After a hurricane night, we left Washington at 9:00 a.m. this morning--E. and I--on John Snyder's C-54 Coast Guard plane. A fine flight at 8,000 feet, and at 12,000 for 15 minutes just before reaching Mexico City. It was non-stop, lunch on board, and took an even ten hours. Frank Southard, Jim Saxon, Andy Overby and his wife, Congressmen Spence and Wolcott, John and his secretary, the Cockes from Roanoke, Virginia, Mr. Lynch, and others, were passengers.

Ambassador O'Dwyer, the Paul Culbertsons, Gene Black, Bob Garner, the Franklin Gowens, and others, met us at the airport, and we installed ourselves at the Ho[illegible] del Prado. We took a good walk this evening--much new building in evidence--and got to bed at 10:00 p.m. (Midnight, Washington time).

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